

THE LACLEDE BLADE.

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QUAKER MEDITATIONS.

Also people who live in brick houses shouldn't throw mud. To be on the right side in politics merely means to be on the inside. It naturally takes a wide-awake author to write a treatise on insomnia. Many a fellow who has a vein of sentiment discovers that it is all in vain. The iceman's idea of making hay while the sun shines is to cut ice when it freezes. A successful business man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A fellow doesn't necessarily have a good time just because his watch is a good timekeeper. Nell—"You can't always judge people by their clothes." Belle—"No, not unless you see the family wash out on the line."

KANSAS CITY THEATRES

WILLIS WOOD.

Week of January 31, 1909.

ROBERT EDISON.

As the attraction at the Willis Wood for the week of January 31, Henry B. Harris will present Robert Edison, direct from triumphal engagements in New York, Boston and Chicago, in the play "The Call of the North." Mr. Edison's latest vehicle, which is said to afford him one of the most congenial roles that he has had in some time, is the work of George Broadhurst, author of "The Man of the Hour," and is based on Stewart Edward White's widely read novel, "Conjuror's House."

Patents Issued on the 12th Day of January, 1909.

Reported by Arthur C. Brown, Solicitor of patents, 601-602 Shurtz, Kansas City, Mo. Book on patents furnished free.

MISSOURI.

R. T. Dye, Laclede, Mo., rotary stacker, No. 909,166; J. L. Gash and S. L. McDavitt, Elmer, Mo., continuous lay-joint and nut-lock, No. 909,590; H. L. Grissell and H. Haley, Ozark, Mo., seed planter, No. 909,289; W. F. Harris, assignor of one-fourth to O. M. Rhodes, Lakenan, Mo., lock-nut, No. 909,788; A. M. Meleran, Kansas City, Mo., assignor to Two Edge Mfg. Co., sharpening machine, No. 909,819; C. H. Seymour, Kansas City, Mo., milking machine, No. 909,239; W. B. Sheffield, Kansas City, Mo., automatic ink distributor for printing presses, No. 909,239; H. Troeger, Kirkswood, Mo., bucket, No. 909,715.

KANSAS.

J. M. Barnes, Luernoe, Kan., oil burner attachment for stoves, No. 909,132; F. Conner, assignor of one-half to W. Davis, Topeka, Kan., door opener, No. 909,552; W. Hagstrom, Lingsborg, assignor of one-half to J. and C. A. Anderson, Salina, Kan., switching device for party line exchanges, No. 909,403; G. P. McIntyre and R. N. McIntyre, Topeka, Kan., porch swing, No. 909,317; T. S. Murray and L. B. Kimball, Arkansas City, Kan., cistern cleaner and water purifier, No. 909,314; S. Robinson and J. A. Saffer, Emporia, Kan., riding wheel road scraper, No. 909,223; W. V. Turner, Topeka, Kan., and D. M. Lewis, Raton, New Mexico Territory, assignors to Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Pittsburg, Pa., signal valve controlling mechanism, No. 909,717; E. Weidlein, Augusta, Kan., cleaning attachment for horse-rakes, No. 909,721.

OKLAHOMA.

A. L. Treese, Jennings, Okla., cotton cleaner, No. 909,714; J. W. Parks, Muskogee, Okla., crude oil burner, No. 909,323; E. L. Hembree, Chester, Okla., match box, No. 909,497; R. M. Kenney, Clinton, Okla., double rake, No. 909,697; P. Harrison, near Carnegie, Okla., cotton chopper, No. 909,294.

GLOBE SIGHTS.

You rarely see an old man who is proud. Ever occur to you what a pest a "great talker" is? Knicker—Whom does the baby resemble? Bocker—Its yell takes after There is always some place on a woman's dress where she keeps a lot of pins. "Who will take care of the babies, when the women get their rights?" some one asks. There won't be any babies. You can't tell anything about a woman. If she makes fun of a new style one day, the next day you see her imitating it. An Atchison widow who has been married twice says her first husband used to wait upon her, but that she waited on her second husband, and that she enjoyed her second marriage the most. The right kind of a girl lives in Atchison: Late a man of whom she expected a good deal married another girl, but, instead of shooting him or taking poison, she just sat down and bawled. Suggested as a new style of personal for newspapers: "Mrs. John Smith has gone to St. Joe to collect what is due to her from a friend who visited her a month last summer. She will remain four weeks."

Kansas City Directory.

VELIE WROUGHT IRON VEHICLES
ASK YOUR DEALER OR
JOHN DEERE PLOW CO.

COURTS TO FIX BLAME.

Legal Battle to Settle Responsibility for Republic's Loss.

New York, N. Y.—Attorneys for both the White Star line and the Lloyd Italiano, the latter the owner of the Florida, which ran down the Republic, are preparing for a battle in the courts to fix responsibility for the accident. Litigation, involving approximately 2 million dollars, probably will be threshed out, which vessel was to blame for the disaster will be settled first by a court of inquiry. If the Florida was to blame the Republic's owners may libel it to the value of the boat and the passenger and freight receipts. This holds true, also, in the event the Republic being found at fault. But the Lloyd-Italiano line may recover only the amount which the Florida was damaged. As there is no law governing loss of life on the high seas, it is doubtful if any suits will be brought by passengers. According to stipulation on the back of each ticket the passengers may recover only \$100 each on their baggage, although many lost a far greater amount. The total loss on baggage and personal effects is variously estimated at from \$175,000 to \$250,000.

FOR NAVY REFORM.

A Commission Appointed to Make Suggestions.

Washington, D. C.—President Roosevelt believes the organization of the navy department is not such as to bring the best results and Wednesday he appointed a committee whose announced duty will be to "consider certain needs of the navy."

The president has sent identical letters to each of the eight members of the commission which is headed by Paul Morton, a former secretary of the navy, the other members being Justice Moody, also a former secretary of the navy; Judge A. G. Dayton, formerly chairman of the house naval affairs committee, and Rear Admirals S. B. Luce, A. T. Mahan, William H. Folger, Robley D. Evans and William S. Cowles, all of whom are on the retired list. He sets out certain subjects for the commission to consider under two general heads, first, as to the fundamental principles of an organization that will insure an efficient preparation for war in time of peace and secondly, specific recommendations as to the changes in the present organization that will accomplish this result.

OPENED A WOMAN'S MAIL.

A Former Missouri Postmaster Fined at Joplin.

Joplin, Mo.—Thomas M. Allen of Cassville, a former postmaster, Wednesday pleaded guilty before Judge Pollock in the federal court to opening mail directed to a woman carrier. The man declared that he had opened the mail to assist the woman who was absent from her work without leave. He was fined \$300. The woman's husband, a mail carrier, died a short time before the arrest of Allen and he had the widow appointed. He then secured a man to carry the mail route at a much cheaper price than was paid the woman, she receiving the balance. She went to St. Louis and the postmaster opened letters she sent to her father. A decoy letter sent by a postoffice inspector caused Allen's arrest. He is said to be wealthy and one of the most prominent men of Barry county.

Commission for Colorado Springs.

Colorado Springs, Col.—The charter convention Wednesday unanimously committed itself to draft a commission form of government for this city. All governmental functions will be vested in a council composed of the mayor and four members elected at large.

A British Radium Institute.

London, Eng.—Under the auspices of King Edward there will shortly be established the Royal British Radium Institute. The purpose is to facilitate research work and in connection therewith there will be a medical department for the treatment of various cases by the radium cure.

For Lower Tariff on Cattle.

New York.—A movement to secure tariff reduction on live animals used for food is being carried on by the Master Butchers' association of New York state and their allied bodies throughout the country.

Will Not Investigate Senator.

Madison, Wis.—The assembly practically killed the Blaine senate resolution for an investigation of the United States senatorial primary Wednesday.

Panama Ratifies Treaty.

Panama.—The Panama-United States treaty was ratified Wednesday by the assembly, and was signed immediately by President Obaldia.

THE SIXTIETH CONGRESS

WORK OF FINAL SESSION IS IN FULL SWING.

Happenings of Interest in Both the Senate and House During the Past Week.

House Hears Eulogies.

Washington, D. C.—The house of representatives met Sunday to hear eulogies on the life of Charles Tappan Dunwell, who represented the Third congressional district of New York in the Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth congresses and died on June 12 last. Representative Wm. M. Calder of Brooklyn presided. Among the others who spoke were Representatives Bonyne of Colorado and Kahn of California.

Public Printer Confirmed.

Washington, D. C.—The senate Tuesday confirmed the nomination of Samuel B. Donnelly of New York to be public printer. The senate committee on printing investigated charges that upon assuming the management of the government printing office, Mr. Donnelly had discharged a number of non-union men without cause. The charges were found to be without foundation.

Agriculture Bill Reported.

Washington, D. C.—In the agricultural department appropriation bill reported to the house Monday there is an increase of \$1,208,820 over the amount given the department for its work during the present year, although the amount reported \$12,800,926, is less by \$1,739,700 than was expected by the secretary of agriculture.

Rudowitz Will Not Be Given Up.

Washington, D. C.—Christian Rudowitz, whose extradition on charges of murder, arson and other crimes was demanded by the Russian government, and whose defense involved counter-contents that the offenses were in furtherance of a political movement, will not be extradited. This decision was announced by Secretary Root of the state department Tuesday.

Will Dance in Pension Building.

Washington, D. C.—The inaugural ball will be held in the Pension building. The house Monday reversed its action of two weeks ago and adopted the senate resolution permitting the use of that building for the ball.

Gold Medals for the Wrights.

Washington, D. C.—Gold medals with suitable emblems will be awarded to Orville and Wilbur Wright by congress if the house of representatives approves a resolution adopted by the senate Monday.

Labor Leaders to Pay Costs.

Washington, D. C.—President Samuel Gompers, Vice President John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, recently adjudged in contempt of court and sentenced to imprisonment in the District of Columbia jail, were Tuesday ordered by Justice Wright of the district supreme court to pay the costs incurred in the proceedings which resulted in the sentence for contempt. They aggregate about \$1,500.

Santa Fe Sues Government.

Topeka, Kan.—The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway company Tuesday filed suit in the United States circuit court against the federal government for \$4,750.55. The company claims the government failed to live up to a contract for hauling mail between Kansas City and Chicago and alleges the amount named in the suit is due. The controversy arose over a ruling of the postmaster general.

Panic in St. Louis Coliseum.

St. Louis, Mo.—Many women fainted Sunday night during a panic in the Coliseum which held 14,000 persons listening to Gipsy Smith, an evangelist. The excitement was subdued by the choir of 1,000 voices singing hymns. The panic was started by the ringing of a gong on the Electric Light company's trouble wagon which passed the crowded building.

Can Not Get Out of It.

Washington, D. C.—The petition of the Chicago & Alton Railroad company for a rehearing in the case in which that company and two of its officers were subjected to a fine of \$60,000 for granting rebates to Kansas City packers was denied Monday by the supreme court of the United States.

Small Assets for Big Failure.

Boston, Mass.—E. R. Shaw of Newburyport, ex-state treasurer, a railroad financier, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy Monday with liabilities of \$1,023,805 and assets of \$275,765.

Another Earthquake Recorded.

Yekaterinburg, Russia.—The magneto-meteorological observatory at this place recorded violent seismic disturbance at seven o'clock Sunday morning.

SAVED BY WIRELESS.

Sinking Liner's Calls for Aid Quickly Answered.

Boston, Mass.—Through a cloud of fog that veiled the entire northeast coast early Saturday morning, a wireless message of distress from the White Star liner Republic, rammed and sinking 75 miles from land, reached two big liners just nearing New York, two revenue cutters along the Massachusetts coast and tugs and smaller craft plying local waters.

The big liners wheeled and made eastward, the revenue cutters lifted anchors and steamed away through the fog at perilous speed, and scores of smaller vessels, called by the repeated wreck signals of the foundering Republic, raced to save the 461 passengers and the crew of the disabled ship.

A few hours later the wireless flashed along the coast the news that the ships had won over the sea. Revenue cutters and an incoming liner stood by as the Republic slowly settled down and took off the cheering passengers one by one.

The Republic Sinks.

New York.—The palatial ocean steamship Republic of the White Star line, which was in collision with the Italian liner Florida early Saturday morning, off Nantucket, Mass., went down at half past eight o'clock Sunday night. No one was lost. Her passengers, taken off many hours before by the steamship Baltic, were landed in New York early Monday morning.

The Republic was in tow of the revenue cutter Gresham and the derelict destroyer Seneca, proceeding to New York, when she sank. On board her was Capt. Sealby with a volunteer detail of 50 of her crew. She had been towed but a short distance when she began to settle rapidly. Seeing no hope of saving the ship, Capt. Sealby gave the order to abandon ship and the crew was taken off by the Gresham, which cast loose from the crippled liner and stood by until she sank beneath the waves.

The Gresham and the Seneca then headed for the Massachusetts coast and landed Capt. Sealby and his brave crew at Gayhead, Mass.

UNABLE TO AGREE.

Missouri Legislative Committee Finishes Recount of Ballots.

St. Louis, Mo.—The legislative committee having finished the recount of the votes cast for lieutenant governor of Missouri reported to the legislature Thursday morning that it is unable to agree on a report.

Excluding the 13 precincts on which the committee is unable to agree Jacob F. Gmelich, Republican, has a lead of 239 votes. The Democratic members of the committee contend William R. Painter, Democrat, has a lead of 197 votes, a gain of 170 since the recount began.

Party lines divide the committee and the members of each party will file their statements with the joint assembly. There are 5,162 votes in dispute. The Sixth ward of Springfield, where the election judges divided the vote, showed a change of one in favor of Painter in the recount.

The Missouri Rate Cases.

Kansas City, Mo.—The fate of Missouri's two-cent fare rests with the federal court now. Freight rates that the legislature provided for as reasonable are in the same hands. The court has all of the testimony and all of the arguments in the cases, some of which have been in litigation more than two years. Gardiner Lathrop, representing the railroads, made the closing arguments Saturday afternoon. Judge McPherson expects to make a decision within a month.

Glass Manufacturers Adopt Scale.

Independence, Kan.—The Kansas glass manufacturers adopted a minimum schedule of wages which they will pay workers. The scale is \$21 a week for the blowers and \$15 a week for the gatherers. The workers were given till Saturday to decide whether or not they will accept.

Low Rates for Conventions.

Chicago, Illinois.—The Western Passenger association, it was announced Saturday, has agreed on a one-fare for the round trip rate to the next G. A. R. reunion at Salt Lake City, and a rate of one and a half cents a mile to the Christian Endeavor convention at St. Paul.

Mr. Taft's Secretary in Washington.

Washington, D. C.—Fred W. Carpenter, secretary to President-elect Taft, who has just returned from a trip to California, has transferred his office from Augusta, Ga., to this city.

Earth Shocks in San Salvador.

San Salvador.—Several earthquake shocks were felt here Monday night. There have been a number of shocks in the eastern part of the republic. No loss of life has been reported.

HOME COUGH CURE.

Go to your druggist and get one-half ounce Concentrated pine compound, two ounces of glycerine, half a pint of good whiskey; mix it up, and use it in doses of a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful every four hours, shaking the bottle each time. Any druggist can supply ingredients.

The Concentrated pine is a pine product refined for medical use and comes only in half ounce bottles, each enclosed in a round case which is airtight and preserves the fluid in its full strength, but be sure it is labeled "Concentrated." A prominent local druggist says he has filled this prescription hundreds of times and has seen it work wonders.

REALLY HAD NO KICK COMING.

According to Expert Opinion, Playwright Had Got Off Easy.

That Beerbohm Tree, the player, has a caustic wit is evidenced by an incident wherein he and an unknown playwright figured.

The writer had obtained permission to read his offering to Tree. The actor evinced no great degree of enthusiasm, either during or after the reading; but he did take the manuscript, upon which he scribbled hastily a few suggestions for its betterment.

"See here, Mr. Tree," was the indignant ejaculation of the ambitious playwright, "it's hardly fair of you to dispose of my work in this summary and nonchalant fashion. I'd have you know that this play cost me a year's hard labor!"

"So?" queried Tree. "My dear fellow, any impartial judge would give you at least five!"—Harper's Weekly.

ONE THING AT A TIME.



"Have you noticed that the baroness never talks about other women?"

"How could she? She is all the time talking about herself."

Professor Munyon has just issued a most beautiful, useful and complete Almanac; it contains not only all the scientific information concerning the moon's phases, in all the latitudes, but has illustrated articles on how to read character by phrenology, palmistry and birth month. It also tells all about card reading, birth stones and their meaning, and gives the interpretation of dreams. It teaches beauty culture, manicuring, gives weights and measures, and antidotes for poison. In fact, it is a Magazine Almanac, that not only gives valuable information, but will afford much amusement for every member of the family, especially for parties and evening entertainments. Farmers and people in the rural districts will find this Almanac almost invaluable.

It will be sent to anyone absolutely free on application to the MUNYON REMEDY COMPANY, PHILADELPHIA.

A Difference in Degree.

"I just love cake," said Johnnie, feelingly. "It's awful nice."

"You should not say 'love' cake," corrected his mother. "You should say 'like.' And do not say 'awful'—say 'very.' And say 'good' instead of 'nice.' Now see if you can repeat the sentence correctly."

"I like cake," repeated Johnnie. "It's very good."

"That's better."

"I know, ma," complained Johnnie, "but it sounds just as if I was talkin' 'bout bread."—Everybody.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Limited Understanding.

"It does seem strange," remarked the party who seemed to be thinking aloud.

"What seems strange?" queried the innocent bystander.

"That after getting a man in hot water a woman can't understand why he should boll over," explained the wily thinker.—Chicago Daily News.

SPOHN'S DISTEMPER CURE will cure any possible case of DISTEMPER, PINK EYE, and the like among horses of all ages, and prevents all others in the same stable from having the disease. Also cures chicken cholera, and dog distemper. Any good druggist can supply you, or send to Mrs. 50 cents and \$1.00 a bottle. Agents wanted. Free book. Spohn Medical Co., Spec. Contagious Diseases, Goshen, Ind.

Probably Not.

Ellis—Does Fred kiss you for your mother?
Stella—Well, I don't think it's for father.